selves or scorn of others, so that there were very few but that fell to most disorderly outrage one ^ith another

Thence they sailed on to Dominica and here my Lord made a speech to them all, rebuking them for the many gross faolts committed amongst them since their coming to sea and warning them that his overpatient and forced sluggish humour was now shaken off, and that he would not for the future suffer to pass unpunished ill-deservers At Dominica they stayed six davs, watering the fleet and refreshing the sick men in a hot bath which was found near the sea as hot as either the Cross Bath or King's Bath in the City of Bath

His Lordship now determined to attack the town of Porto Rico, and on the 6th June the soldiers were landed about three leagues from the town, towards which they marched along the sea shore till they met with a blackamoor whom thev took to be their guide, and towards evening with much ado they came to the causeway that led out to the island Wherefore the soldiers were led to a great lawn and there rested while a continual watch was kept to give immediate information of the ebb of the tide from the causeway Early next morning the alarum was given very quietly and the companies quickly ranged, and after my Lord and Sir John Berkeley had somewhat disputed for the honour of leading the point, our men began the assault, which lasted for two hours, yet though they left noway unattempted they could not enter the gate Tins causeway was so rugged that our men to keep on their feet made choice to wade in the water beside it Here his Lordship was, by the stumbling of him that bore his target, overthrown even to the danger of drowning, for his armour so

overburdened him that the Sergeant Major, that by chance was next him, had much ado at the first and second time to get him from tinder the water When he was up he had received so much salt water that it drove htm to so great extremity of present sickness that he was forced to lie down in that place upon the causeway

In the fort the enemy had six pieces of great ordnance winch were bent upon the causeway, and many musketeers, and at a port by the gate lay a fowler, which some call a murdering piece. For all this our soldiers came to the very gate, and began to hew at it with some two or three bilk that they had, at the